



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Seisaku Iwasa et al. : Patent Art Unit: 3728

Serial No.: 09/911,621 : Examiner: Anthony D. Stashick

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For: A VERTICAL BAG FORM-FILL-SEAL

PACKAGING MACHINE

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the December 2, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the <u>Listing of Claims</u>, which begins on page two (2) of this paper. Claims 1-3, 5, 7-32 are pending, with claims 1, 20 and 31-32 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page nine (9) of this paper.

